

the facility would maintain itself and be opened, it would have to be at a much reduced level. And that may be one of the options the committee comes up with on the task force as they're reviewing. There may be other options as well. But the message has to be hammered home that we cannot continue funding it at the same particular level, even though the program is one that is a very, ver, valuable program. Do we need 643? No, not necessarily. Was the committee trying to do anything to bring something in, trying to slide something through? Certainly not, and if there's some miscommunication I, at least, apologize for that. We try to be as open as possible. Hopefully, through a dialogue of this nature those feelings can be soothed a little bit, but we can also do...keep...continue on to do what is the best policy in regards to fiscal responsibility and also educational responsibility to those that truly have the need, in this case the School for the Deaf.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Bernard-Stevens, were you going to yield the balance of your time to Senator Moore?

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: If Senator Moore wishes to use some of the time, fine, if not, I would yield it back to the Chair.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Moore, you have a minute and a half.

SENATOR MOORE: Yes, I would, Mr. Speaker. The one thing I guess that I'm...Senator Warner wondered what other surprises we had up our sleeve. And if Senator Warner would look at the list I distributed on April 30th and announced on the floor what the other three bills were, he would see what those surprises were. Now I'm...always been nervous about...

SPEAKER BAACK: One minute.

SENATOR MOORE: There's no exact definition of what ought to be in the package. Obviously LB 491 and LB 832 are fee bills. LB 643 was a bill that another way to do it would have been to amend it into the Trailside Museum bill, and nobody knowing what it was, or we could have introduced a whole new bill and try all over again. The simple thought was that you have a bill out there on the floor that addresses the issue, I think responsibly so. If there were some agreement between Senator Rasmussen not to do it, she's still in control of the bill, she could still withdraw it, if she so wished, and then we'd have to plug the half million dollars back in. But I don't think it wasn't meant